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SUBJECT: ARIA FLIGHTS TO DAKAR

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1. SUMMARY: MISSION URGENTLY REQUESTS NECESSARY DATA FOR
CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR ARIA OPERATIONS INTO DAKAR PROPOSED
FOR EARLY AUGUST. WILL INFORM SENEGALESE OF MISSILE TEST
ASPECT OF ARIA FLIGHTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH REQUEST FOR
CLEARANCE. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING INFORMATION
FOR CLEARANCE REQUEST THREE WEEKS BEFORE ANY SCHEDULED
OPERATIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. BOTH INITIAL EMBASSY NOTE REQUESTING SENEGALESE APPROVAL
IN PRINCIPLE FOR ARIA USE OF DAKAR-YOFF AIRPORT AND
FAVORABLE SENEGALESE RESPONSE (REF A) SPOKE ONLY OF
OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF SPACECRAFT, AND DID NOT DISCUSS
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OPERATIONAL MISSILE TEST LAUNCHES. EMBASSY ACCORDINGLY
BELIEVES WE ARE OBLIGED TO INFORM SENEGALESE, AS
AUTHORIZED REFTEL B, THAT MOST ARIA OPERATIONS ARE
MISSILE-RELATED.

3. MISSION CANNOT GUARANTEE SENEGALESE APPROVAL FOR
OPERATIONS RELATED TO MISSILE TESTS, BUT WE BELIEVE BEST

TACTIC WOULD BE TO CONVEY THIS INFORMATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH ROUTINE CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR PROPOSED FORTHCOMING OPERATION. (ON BASIS OF REF C, OUR ORIGINAL NOTE TO SENEGALESE STATED THAT REQUESTS FOR OVERFLIGHT AND LANDING CLEARANCES FOR INDIVIDUAL MISSIONS "WOULD PROVIDE DETAILS ON THE SPECIFIC MISSION TO BE PERFORMED").

4. REFS D AND E INDICATE NEXT OPERATIONS ARE CONTEMPLATED AS EARLY AS AUGUST 2. EVEN IN ABSENCE OF ADDED COMPLICATION OVER MISSILE-RELATED NATURE OF TESTS, EMBASSY SHOULD BE PROVIDED WITH NECESSARY INFORMATION TO REQUEST FLIGHT CLEARANCES AT LEAST THREE WEEKS BEFORE DESIRED COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATION. (ROUTINE FLIGHT CLEARANCE REQUESTS SHOULD BE IN SENEGALESE HANDS TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO FLIGHT UNDER GOS REGULATIONS, AND SENEGALESE APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE OF ARIA OPERATIONS WAS CONDITIONED ON RECEIPT OF PROGRAM FOR EACH FLIGHT "WELL BEFORE" DATE OF OPERATIONS (REF A). EMBASSY THUS URGENTLY REQUESTS COMPLETE INFORMATION ON ITINERARY, AIRCRAFT DESIGNATIONS AND CREW NECESSARY FOR OVERFLIGHT AND LANDING CLEARANCE REQUESTS WHICH WE WILL SUBMIT IMMEDIATELY TO GOS, WITH FURTHER BACKGROUND ON NATURE OF THESE OPERATIONS PROVIDED REF B.

5. EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT INFORMATION ON ABSENCE OF ARMAMENTS ABOARD AIRCRAFT CONTAINED REF F REMAINS VALID AND CAN ALSO BE MENTIONED TO GOS, WHICH HAS SPECIAL INTEREST
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